

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **HB 1117 - SB 1652**

March 29, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a new Class C felony for knowingly providing false documentation for the purpose of receiving any public benefit provided by the State to indigent persons.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

##### **Increase State Expenditures - \$39,600 / Incarceration\***

##### Assumptions:

- Two persons will be convicted of a Class C felony for knowingly providing false documentation for the purpose of receiving public benefits and will serve 0.9 years.
- According to the Department of Correction, the average operating cost per inmate per day for calendar year 2007 is \$60.16. The cost per inmate at 0.9 years is \$19,776.40 (\$60.16 x 328.73 days). The total additional operating cost for two offenders is \$39,552.80 (\$19,776.40 x 2).
- No significant incarceration cost increase will occur due to population growth in this period.

*\*Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.*

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director